(l)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
23.	Tripura	73	72	86	Dec.
24.	Uttar Pradesh	1605	1561	1542	Oct.
25.	West Bengal	757	819	748	Nov.
	Total (States)	14690	14305	13435	
26.	A&N Islands	4	7	5	Dec.
27.	Chandigarh	11	16	22	Dec (June)
28.	D&N Haveli	7	3	2	Dec. (Oct.)
29.	Daman & Diu	0	4	0	Nov. (Apr., June, Aug.)
30.	Delhi	438	337	358	Dec.
31.	Lakshadweep	0	0	1	Dec.
32.	Pondicheny	1	3	4	Dec.
	TOTAL (UTs)	461	370	392	
	TOTAL (All India)	15151	14675	13827	

SOURCE: CRIME IN INDIA DATA, fig. for the year 1999 and 2000 are taken from Monthly Crime Statistics and is provisional. : Bracketed month name indicates non-availability of data for that month.

Procurement of weapons by Security Guards with Fake Licences

2772. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Security Guards with fake licences procuring weapons for Security Staff, have been arrested in Delhi;

(b) if so, whether it is also a fact that such guards have been supplying weapons to the militants in the country;

(c) if so, whether there are such other security guards in the State, if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the steps being taken by .Government to put an end to such anti-national activities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No such fact has come to the notice of Delhi Police during investigation conducted so far.

(c) The recovery of fake arms licences by Delhi Police recently from two person led to registration of two other cases, on the basis of which 32 persons in all were arrested and 30 guns 134 cartridges of 12 bore were seized.

(d) The steps taken by Delhi Police in this regard include developing intelligence about the persons suspected to be in possession of unlicensed/illegal arms; regular watch on the activities of persons suspected to be involved in such crimes; and close interaction with the intelligence agencies and law enforcing agencies of neighbouring States for sharing of information about activities of inter-state gang indulging in such crimes.

Nabbing forest Bandit Veerappan

2773. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state the result of the joint operation launched by special task force led by Tamil Nadu with Karnataka Police and Border Security Force to nab forest bandit Veerappan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): As per information furnished by the State Government of Tamil Nadu, immediately after the release of Dr. Raj Kumar, 'Operation Jungle Storm-II' was launched by the Special Task Force of Tamil Nadu and Karnataka, assisted by the BSF companies provided by the Central Government for nabbing Veerappan. Combined onslaught of the STF and BSF compelled Veerappan to run from his familiar territory to a new area namely Boluvampatti Reserved Forests in Coimbatore distt. and Walyar Reserved Forests in Palghat District of Kerala. The gang was sighted on 02.2.2001 upon which a brief